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Applicant: Schwartz et al.

Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AN EFFICIENT FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN OVER A WIDE AREA NETWORK**

Appl. No.: 09/764,787

Filing Date: January 17, 2001

Examiner: T. D. Nguyen

Art Unit: 3629

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2. Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review
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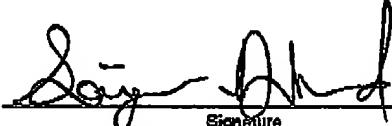
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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REQUEST FOR REVIEW

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Applicant respectfully requests review of the non-final rejection of claims 58-72, 75-94 and 97-107, of which claims 58, 82, 102 and 103 are independent.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In the Office Action, Claims 58-72, 75-94 and 97-102 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0049816 to Costin, IV et al. (hereinafter "Costin") in view of the McBrearty article of December 1986 (hereinafter "McBrearty"), the Smith article (hereinafter "Smith") and BT article (hereinafter "the BT article") or Leukaemia Busters article (hereinafter "the Leukaemia article").

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The present invention relates to systems and methods for on-line, interactive fundraising. Certain embodiments of the invention allow for solicitors to register and facilitate fundraising by directing potential donors, such as friends or family members, to a personal donation page. In one embodiment, email messages are sent to potential donors with a link to the solicitor's personal donation page. The personal donation page is intended to encourage the potential donors to make a charitable contribution to the fundraising campaign. In some embodiments, this is achieved by providing the name of the solicitor along with the solicitor's personal campaign goal on the personal donation page. In this manner, friends and family are encouraged to donate and help the solicitor reach his or her personal campaign goal. The potential donors are then directed to a personal donation page to make a charitable contribution.

Thus, an email from the solicitor, for example, may include a link to the solicitor's personal donation page. The potential donor may follow the link to the personal donation page, from where the potential donor may make the charitable contribution. This is illustrated in, for example, Figure 9 of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/740,761 (hereinafter "the '761 Application"), which is incorporated by reference into the present application. This feature provides a substantial advantage: being solicited for a donation on the personal donation page of the solicitor (who is likely a friend or family member), the potential donor is more likely to make a charitable contribution. Accordingly, independent claims 58, 82, and 102 each recite "receiving a charitable contribution ... via the personal donation page."

The Office Action makes clear that Costin does not teach making a donation "via the personal donation page." See Office Action dated 07/06/2006, page 6, lines 4-5 and page 7, last 3 lines. The Office Action cites McBrearty as making obvious this feature of the present invention. However, McBrearty neither teaches nor suggests a personal donation page. McBrearty suggests making "thank-you calls" to donors or developing a relationship with key donors. This does not constitute a teaching or suggestion of the use of "a personal donation page" to receive charitable contributions, as recited in the claims of the present application. Without the benefit of hindsight, it would be unreasonable to conclude that the teaching of McBrearty would cause one of skill in the art to modify the fundraising campaign of Costin by

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adding a personal donation page, as suggested in the Office Action, when McBrearty neither teaches nor suggests any such feature.

Further, since McBrearty dates back to 1986, it does not relate to interactive fundraising over a network. Thus, McBrearty neither contemplates nor discloses web-based fundraising and the use of specific web pages, such as a personal donation page, to receive contributions. Thus, McBrearty fails to teach or suggest at least this limitation of the independent claims 58, 82 and 102. Each of the other cited references also fails to teach or suggest this limitation.

In order to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness, “the prior art reference (or references when combined) must teach or suggest all the claim limitations.” M.P.E.P. § 2142. Since the cited references fail to teach or suggest at least one limitation of independent claims 58, 82 and 102, those claims are patentable.

Objective Evidence of Nonobviousness

As set forth in *Graham v. John Deere*, 383 U.S. 1 (1966), one of the factual inquiries to be considered in determining obviousness is evidence of secondary considerations, such as commercial success, unexpected results, long-felt need, failure of others, copying by others, licensing, and skepticism of experts. M.P.E.P. § 2141. Evidence of secondary considerations must be considered by the Examiner in determining the issue of obviousness. M.P.E.P. § 716.01(a).

In support of the nonobviousness of the claimed invention, Applicants have previously submitted with an amendment filed on April 20, 2006, an article from onphilanthropy.com describing the Salvation Army’s acclaim for and the success and unexpected results achieved with assignee Kintera’s “Friends Asking Friends” innovation, an embodiment of the pending claims:

“In September of 2002, Kintera presented their online technology, including the ‘Friends Asking Friends’ innovation to Salvation Army staff, who immediately recognized its potential The idea behind Ring2Help is that it allows a donor to

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become a ‘Virtual Bell Ringer.’ It is this person’s task to ask his or her friends and family members for a donation [T]he real success of the program was uncovered after studying the numbers. Specifically, 69% of the individual that contributed to the program were new donors to The Army. A quick look at these new donors shows that the program attracted an entirely new demographic to the organization.”

Thus, the article clearly establishes that this “innovation” was a “real success” that “was uncovered after studying the numbers,” and “emphasize[s] that the fundraisers who sent out multiple emails to their friends and family had the most success.” The evidence from an independent third party confirms the nonobviousness of the presently claimed invention.

The Examiner has argued that this submission is insufficient to overcome the 103 rejections “because this program is similar or taught or appears to be similar to” Costin. However, as previously acknowledged by the Examiner, Costin fails to teach or suggest “receiving a charitable contribution ... via the personal donation page.” The “Friends Asking Friends” system implemented by the Salvation Army Staff, as an embodiment of the pending claims, included this feature.

Alleged New Matter in Claim 58

The Office Action alleged the introduction of new matter in independent claim 58 in reciting “updating, according to instructions from the donor, one or more virtual plaques displayed on one or more web pages” Applicant notes that support for this feature can be found in paragraph [0051] of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/740,761, filed December 12, 2000, (the “’761 Application”), and incorporated by reference in paragraph [0004] of the present application. Specifically, the ’761 Application discloses that “a donor can edit the updated plaque and select particular words or language.” Thus, the plaque is updated according to the donor’s edits (or instructions).

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Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 58-72, 75-94 and 97-107 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-114 of copending Application No. 09/740,761. If necessary, Applicant will file a terminal disclaimer upon allowance of any claims in the pending application.

CONCLUSION

Independent claims 58, 82 and 102 each recite a feature which is not suggested or taught by any prior art reference cited by the Examiner. Accordingly, those claims are patentable. Claims 59-72, 75-81, 83-94, and 97-101 depend from these independent claims and are patentable at least for their dependency from the allowable claims.

Additionally, claim 103, which has not been rejected twice and is not subject to an appeal, also recites the same feature. Accordingly, claim 103 is also patentable. Claims 104-107 depend from allowable claim 103 and are, therefore, patentable for at least that reason.

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